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# BY RIVERSIDE PLAN

Mrs. Charles A. Bryan Heads Delegation Before Board of Estimate.

It was women's turn before the Board of Estimate to-day to protest gainst the New York Central improvement along the west side.

Mrs. Charles A. Bryan was director meral of the feminine forces, fifty trong and all primed with speeches. mong them were Mrs. James M. tewart. Mrs. William R. Stewart, appeared on Feb. 2: Mrs. John C. Coleman, Mrs. Charles Craig, Miss Frances Peters, Mrs. ohn Marshall Gallagher, Mrs. Stephen Coles, Mrs. Sofia Loelinger, Miss plegelberg, Mrs. Lee and little Nancy

A momentary display of fireworks started the session. Mayor Mitchel moved that a pamphlet that had been presented by Charles L. Craig be resected and expunged from the record ecause of its attacks and insinuations reflecting on the integrity of Comptroller rendergast.

Borough President Matthewson called the attack pleayune.

The Mayor's motion was adopted. All the women speakers complained gainst the damage to be done to Riverside Park. Mayor Mitchel and Comptroller Prendergast answered the charges and sought to explain conditions to each speaker.

Little Nancy Kelly's brother was run over in Death Avenue. She said she did not want to have the park spoiled so the children could not go there and play and get well.

"In place of spoiling your park," said the Mayor to Nancy, "the children will have nearly as much again land as they have now.'

Borough President Marks inter-"Nancy will be grown up when

that is accomplished."

sarks as "a bunker on the golf links." Miss Mabel McCumber said:

"It will be a fortification land-

mentioned that railroad cost was a factor against tunneling.

payments will increase, both in special franchise taxes and real estate subject to the State's sovereign authority. It cannot change the rules subject to the State's sovereign authority. It cannot change the rules said down for it.

It is very easy to see why it might not be well for the city to be able to make a private agreement with the mentioned that railroad cost was a question of law, and I have received therefore the advice of the tax law.

The women applauded vigorously.

improvement as a convenience to the and see officials," said Mrs. Bryan.
The hearings continued all a "That is all this is, a convenience to the New York Central, all the way from Clarkson Street to Albany Avenue with an incited to the hearing Mayor Mitchel said: from Clarkson Street to Amerit to the an

"Oh," chorused the women.
The seasion developed into a heckling bee, in which Comptroller Prendergast was the principal target.

Between the Mayor and Mrs. Bryan
there resulted a direct contradition in
wory polite but very caustic lan
The Commission of any other soar, of the West Side matter they phase of the West Side matter they please. Fudthermore, if it is within my power to do so I will help them.
There is no conflict of jurisdiction between the Public Service Commission and the Board of Estimate that I happen to know of."

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## SPOILING OF PARK IN THE DIVEDGIDE CONTRA IN THE RIVERSIDE CONTRACT CLAIMS MR. PRENDERGAST

The Comptroller Makes Reply to Evening World's Question No. 2.

In The Evening World's series of questions relating to the proposed west side improvement, the following

Question No. 2.—In the form of contract prepared and advocated by the City Administration for the improvement of the New Vork Central tracks along the west side of Manhattan there is no mention of special franchise taxes, and doubt exists whether any could be collected. Therefore The Evening World submits to the Mayor and members of the Board of Estimate this questions

Would not the Interests of the city be better protected if there was inserted in the contract this clause: "All conveyances of permanent easements, permanent overhead, surface and underground rights affecting lands granted to the railroad company by the City of New York shall be deemed special franchises for the purposes of taxation"?

SAYS CITY HAS NO POWER TO INSERT SUCH CLAUSE.

This question is very easily an-This question is very easily an-swered. The law gives the city no authority whatever to say what parpower to make such an agreement, but on the contrary places absolute authority with the State Tax Com- specifically limited by the Legislature

Before I go into the reasons for this raised in The Evening World's para- CITY HAS NO RIGHT TO DEFINE graph introducing Question No. 2, namely, that doubt exists as to "It is true," replied the Mayor, namely, that doubt exists as to whether special franchise taxes can as so whether the city could agree will be torn up, but when it is finwith be torn up, but when it is finthed the children will have more
pace to play in."

Mrs. Coleman likened the box covwing over the railroad tracks in the

wing the collected at all from the railroad tracks in the

under the collected at all from the railroad cortain rights or easements regarded for the purpose of taxation as special franchises. The city could not make such an agreement, because it would not be assuming a power which is this matter in detail. I showed that this matter in detail. I showed that the railroad does not stand to escape paying special franchise taxes, but on the contrary that the aggregate of its payments will increase, both in spe- the law it is nothing but an individual Mrs. John Marshall Gallagher, payments will increase, both in spe-

"Why consider the financial point of view for benegt of the railroads: experts in the office of the Corporation for the taxpayers?" asked Mrs. Gallagher.

The power to say what surance of higher taxes from the railroads:

The women applauded vigorously.

In a clash over certain estimates Comptroller Prendergast said he had competent engineering authority for his statement. What is the name of your author- he had not been able to see any city

"Mr. Harwood, engineer of the New Tork Central," repiled Mr. Prender"Mr. Jensen waited three days in Rescue Those Said to Be Held The hearings continued all after-

an investigation by the Public Ser-vice Commission or any other body.

American cowboys who were being

I think the ladies are really fearful that some harm will come to litverside Park as a result of the West Side im-provement. Their opposition to the plans is due to the fact that they seem to see things askew. Some of the op-ponents of the proposed west side pro-ject understand it and other don't. I think that the ladies, to whom I give credit for absolute sincerity, don't ap-preciate what the plans are.

Read "THE WANDERER,"

by Maurice V. Samuels. Story the line if they are on a "hot trail." founded on the Biblical story of the Prodigal Son, which will be printed Prodigal Son, which will be printed Col. H. Sickel, commanding at Col. complete in twelve instalments, beginning Monday, Feb. 19, in The Evening World.

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Municipal Building, Frederick J. Brown,
No. 112 Nassau Street: Mary A. Donneily, No. 162 Madison Avenue, and Hope
Fitzgerald, No. 546 Fifth Avenue.

COULTER MADE A MAJOR.

Lawyer Takes Oath as Officer in Quartermaster's Reserve Corps. Ernest K. Coulter, a lawyer of No. Rector Street and Superintendent of he New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, has been appointed a major in the Quarter-master officers reserve corps of the United States army. He took the

oath to-day
Mr. Coulier received his commission
in a communication from President
Wilson and the Becretary of War.

shall be subject to a special franchise tax, or what shall not be subject to a special franchise tax, belongs with the State. It is not a matter for the city to determine, nor can the city by agreement nullify or change the State's definition of a special fran-

FIRST OFF, IT'S UP TO STATE TAX COMMISSION.

The Legislature has stated very clearly what a special franchise is for purposes of taxation. In Chapter 712 of the Laws of 1899, are the provisions of law which specify the nature of of law which specify the nature of a special franchise tax. In brief, it is provided that the right to build or operate railroads on, under, or through the public streets shall be known as special franchises. In addition, it is provided that not only the right to build or operate, but the tangible property such as ties, rails, signals, or pillars or other structures in public streets, shall be subject to special franchise taxation. As I special franchise taxation. As I pointed out in my previous statement the body which has the authority under the law to make the valuation. of such property is the State Tax Commission. The power to collect the tax, just as if it were a real estate tax, just as if it were a real estate tax assessed by our own Department of Taxes and Assessments, is with the Receiver of Taxes, whose office is a bureau of the Department of Finance of the city. In other words, the first time when the city has a hand in special franchise taxes is when the State Tax Commission makes its statement showing what property has been assessed as subject to special franchise taxes and the valuation.

ticular property shall be subject to special franchise taxes. Moreover, the State Tax Commission is itself mission to make special franchise tax in saying what property shall be tax-assessments. the Legislature has given an explicit sefore I go into the reasons for this definition of the nature of a special answer, I desire to clear up a point franchise.

SPECIAL FRANCHISE.

### MAY CROSS THE BORDER

by Mexican Bandits.

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 15 -American cowboys in Hachita were organizing "I haven't the slightest objection to a posse of fifty armed men to cross

Referring to the part the women believed to have been a part of Jose are playing in the fight, the Mayor Ynex Salazar's command, raided Lang's ranch on the American side of the ladies are really fearful. the border, west of the Corner Ranch which was raided Monday, according to an American who returned here to

> have been killed in the raid at Lang's Ranch was named Fulton.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Feb. 15.— Southern Department Headquarters officials admitted to-day that under order for mulntenance of the border patrol troops are at liberty to cross the liberty to cross

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road. But the power implied might perfectly well work the other way. If the city had the power by agreed clause suggested would not "better ment to modify the terms of the protect the city's interests," nor

such a result is destrable.

The sum total of my answer is that the State law defines explicitly what parts of the railroad's right of way

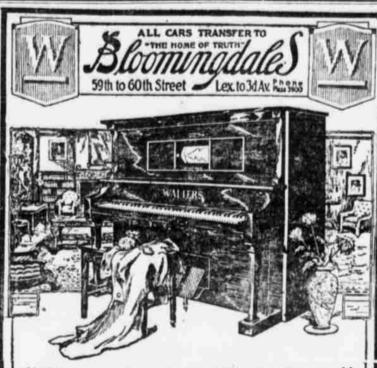
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ment to modify the terms of the rate of the ratifold's property from taxation as well as it could effect an increase. Nobody would argue that crease. Nobody would argue that

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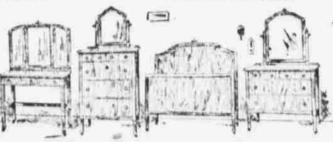
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